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SUBJ: RHODESIA: PARTY DAILY, FOREIGN MINISTER SUPPORT UK/US PROPOSALS AT MALTA TALKS

1. PORTY-OWNED UHURU OF JANUARY 30 EDITORIAL COMMENTED RE MALTA TALKS THAT ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS HAVE CORRECT OBJECTIVES AND SHOULD NOW STEADFASTLY BE IMPLEMENTED TO BLOCK SMITH FROM UNCLASSIFIED

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SUCCEEDING IN ANOTHER OF HIS TRICKS.

FOREIGN MINISTER MKAPA IN ADDRESS JANUARY 30 AT DINNER IN HONOR OF VISITING HUNGARIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, ATTACKED INTERNAL SETTLEMENT TALKS IN SALISBURY. HE SAID ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS WERE OF A SUFFICIENT BASIS FOR FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS FOR A RHODESIAN SETTLEMENT.

2. FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS OF EDITORIAL AS TRANSLATED BY EMBASSY:

A. TALKS BEGIN TODAY IN MALTA BETWEEN THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AND ENGLAND TO TRY TO DETERMINE HOW TO IMPLEMENT THE BRITISH-AMERICAN PROPOSALS FOR RHODESIA. THESE TALKS WILL BE INTERPRETED IN MANY WAYS. SMITH HAS ALREADY CALLED THEM INTERFERENCE IN RHODESIA'S INTERNAL AFFIRS. AFRICA'S ENEMIES WILL TRY TO DISTORT THE TRUTH TO DEFEND THE OPPRESSION BEING CARRIED OUT BY THE WHITE MINORITY. ONLY WE AFRICANS SEE THE TALKS CORRECTLY. WE INTERPRET THE TALKS PRIMARILY AS A SIGN THAT ALL PARTIES CONCERNED REJECT COMPLETELY THE PLOT NOW BEING HATCHED BY THE WHITE MINORITY REGIME IN ZIMBABWE TO SET UP A PUPPET GOVERNMENT.

- B. THE BRITISH AND AMERICAN PROPOSALS EMPHASIS THAT THERE IS NO ROLE FOR SMITH IN AN INDEPENDENT ZIMBABWE. THEREFORE, BY THE SAME TOKEN, SMITH CANNOT HAND OVER POWER TO ANYONE. HE MUST BE REMOVED ALONG WITH THE OPPRESSIVE APPARATUS OF HIS REGIME.
- C. WE WOULD LIKE TO WARN ENGLAND AND THE UNITED STATES THAT STARTING FROM NOW IT IS UNACCEPTABLE AGAIN TO VACILLATE IN IMPLEMENTING THEIR PROPOSALS FOR AN INDEPENDENT ZIMBABWE. IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT WHENEVER THERE IS INDECESIVENESS SMITH AND HIS HENCHMEN GET BIG IDEAS AND MAKE PLANS TO DECEIVE THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE.
- D. WE INTERPRET THE MALTA TALKS AS A NEW MANIFESTATION OF GOOD LINCLASSIFIED

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INTENTION IN LOOKING FOR TRUE INDEPENDENCE FOR ZIMBABWE BY PEACE-FUL MEANS. WE HAAE NO DOUBTS. WE KNOW THAT BEHIND THE MALTA TALKS ARE THOUSANDS OF ZIMBABWEAN YOUTHS WHO HAVE TAKEN UP ARMS AND WHO ARE READY TO FIGHT UNTIL LIBERATION IS ACHIEVED.

- E. IT IS OUR HOPE THAT ON THIS TRIP ENGLAND AND THE UNITED STATES WILL TAKE ON THE QUESTION OF IMPLEMENTING THEIR PROPOSALS WITH THE SERIOUSNESS IT DESERVES.
- 3. FOREIGN MINISTER MKAPA, SPEAKING AT DINNER FOR HUNGARIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, CALLED CURRENT SALISBURY TALKS "A BETRAYAL OF THE OBJECTIVES OF THE LIBERATION STRUGGLE." HE SAID THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS ARE "SUFFICIENT GROUND FOR FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS OF A SETTLEMENT." HE IS REPORTED AS SAYING THERE IS NO GLORY IN CONTINUING A WAR IF VICTORY COULD BE NEGOTIATED, BUT NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO CIRCUMVENT VICTORY.

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